

## Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, November 8, 1897, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. A. G. Bell to Dr. A. G. Bell Postmarked Baddeck, N. S. November 8, 1897  
Monday Alexander Graham Bell Parker House Boston, Mass., U. S. A. My darling Alec,

I have nothing to say but that I love and miss you.

Your telegram from Providence arrived a few minutes ago while we were at dinner. I was very glad to know that you were safe off the ocean. You may say what you like, but I don't care to have anyone I love on the sea at this season.

We are all well. Elsie is still immersed in "The Deluge" but I have imported Maude McKeen to help pull her out.

I had John McDermid change the earth in one of my precious nasturtium boxes and the leaves are lying so flatly and lifeless that they would arouse your sympathy. I think I shall have to do something to them whenever I finish this! I wish you would bring me home a lot of Chinese Joss Flower bulbs—that is the only thing I want except the shopping I have ordered sent you at Parker's. Please don't forget to enquire at the parcel office then if there is anything for you there.

I am troubled about the Parents Association here and think it does not reach the parents that most need it, so we are laying our plans to catch them by giving a reception at Gertrude Hall to the School Trustees. Don't you think this is a good idea? Just a social meeting with tea and cake given by the parents of the Academy to the Trustees. For entertainment the children will recite a poem or two, a charade, and Douglas dressed as a professor with glasses will put an egg in and out of a bottle.

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Please give my love to Miss Fuller and tell her I love her very much.

Yours ever, MABEL